

for over a mile are clothed with *Sedum acre*. At our last visit, *Polygonum Virginianum* was in bloom and abundant. — W. WHITMAN BAILEY, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.

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JASIONE MONTANA IN MASSACHUSETTS.— This summer I found a single plant of *Jasione montana* growing wild at Wareham, Massachusetts. It was on a sandy slope in a field about two hundred feet from a railroad track and near an inlet of Onset Bay. The nearest habitation was an old farmhouse about a fourth of a mile away, and there were no other houses in the vicinity. I first saw the plant August fourth, when it was blooming freely and it was still blooming September sixteenth when I left Wareham.

*Jasione montana* has been abundant for several years on Conanicut Island, Rhode Island, and it once appeared as a transient weed in a nursery at Reading, Massachusetts.<sup>1</sup> Although it is not established at Wareham, the appearance of the plant there may be worthy a definite record.— ANNA M. SCORGIE, Radcliffe College.

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A NEW MUSHROOM FOR THE MARKET.— For some years several species of mushrooms, gathered from the fields, have found a ready sale in the Boston market. Among these, in addition to the common *Agaricus campestris*, are *Coprinus atramentarius*, *C. comatus*, and *Tricholoma personatum*. My attention has recently been called to the selling of *Lepiota naucina*. This toadstool is sometimes abundant in rich grass land, and within a few years has appeared in unusual size and numbers in the grass plots along the new parkway around Soldiers' Field, on the Boston side of Charles River near Cambridge, Massachusetts. Here, in company with *Lepiota Americana*, and the white form of *L. cepaestipes*, it has called forth the wondering inquiries of passersby, for the number and size of the fungi has been truly astonishing. This year the locality is regularly visited in the early morning hours by assiduous collectors, so that the display of mushrooms, so conspicuous a year or two ago, is in a measure prevented. One of these collectors has found that *Lepiota naucina*, in the button stage, is salable at fifty cents a pound. He is quoted as saying that he has known ten pounds to appear over night.— H. WEBSTER, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

<sup>1</sup> J. F. Collins, Bull. Torr. Cl. xxiii. 212.